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For Rent.  
FOR RENT—ONE ROOM IN THE  
McLure House Building, on Market street,  
now occupied by the Citizens' Street Railway  
Company.  
One room on Market street, now occupied by  
W. P. McKelvey.  
Three rooms on the second and third floors in  
same building. These rooms now ready  
for occupancy. Apply to  
JNO. McLEURE.

For Rent.  
A Good Business House  
On Main street—one of the best locations in the  
city. Possession February 1st. Apply to  
S. L. GUTHRIE,  
McLure's Block, Monroe st.

STENOGRAPHY FOR RENT.  
In thorough repair for first-class Boarding  
house. Apply at the house or to  
GEO. W. THOMPSON.

For Rent.  
The Store Rooms now Occupied by Us.  
A. L. KRAFT & BROS.,  
119 Main Street.

For Sale.  
FARM FOR SALE!  
Valuable Gardening, Coal and Farm-  
ing Lands, in Belmont Co., O.

The property belonging to the heirs of Matthew  
Nichols, deceased, situated on the National Road,  
near mile west of Wheeling, containing  
311 acres, is offered for sale on reasonable  
terms, and if desired will be divided into tracts  
as follows:  
No. 1. The "Homestead" property, containing  
about 66 acres, on which is a good two-story  
dwelling house, beautifully located a few rods  
from the National Road, with all necessary out-  
buildings, also, a good Orchard. This tract is  
well adapted for a dairy.  
No. 2. The well known "Stone Tavern" home,  
with a good barn and extensive Shading, with  
about 50 acres of land attached, 15 acres of which  
is extra bottom, suitable for gardening purposes.  
This is one of the best locations on the National  
Road for doing a hotel and stock dealing busi-  
ness.  
No. 3. Containing about 50 acres, on which there  
is a good frame dwelling; also, a Coal Bank in  
working order.  
No. 4. Containing about 35 acres of choice bot-  
tom, arable land, lying between the National  
Road and Wheeling Creek, which will be sold in  
tracts to suit purchasers.  
No. 5. South of Wheeling Creek and adjoining  
the above lands, containing about 78 acres, 14  
of which is creek bottom, and the balance good up-  
land.  
All the tracts are well timbered, and under-  
laid with coal.

Six Foot Vein of Excellent Coal,  
Cropping out at the most accessible points.  
Proportions for the whole or any part of the  
above described property may be made to the  
undersigned, and it not disposed of before  
FRIDAY, the 9th day of December, 1871,  
it will be offered at PUBLIC SALE on that day,  
on the premises.  
Terms made known by application to  
DAVID BROWN,  
St. Clairsville, O.,  
or, THOS. J. O'LEARY,  
Wheeling, W. Va.

FARM FOR SALE.  
Containing 100 acres, all under cultivation, five  
miles from the city, on the ridge between Glen's  
Run and the Ohio river. No better neighbor-  
hood or better laying farm in the county.  
Call on  
L. IRWIN, Agent.

DWELLING HOUSE  
FOR SALE.  
I offer for sale the house in which I now re-  
side, situated on John street, a few doors  
east of Fifth. The house is a substantial  
two-story brick structure, with a full bath,  
a good cellar, and a good kitchen, and is  
well located in every way a desirable prop-  
erty, being but a little over a square from  
Post Office. There is also a small garden.  
BRICK STABLE.  
suitable for four horses, and a carriage house.  
Any one wishing to purchase can examine the  
premises at any time.  
JNO. P. McLEURE.

ISLAND LOTS FOR SALE.  
Having sold all the lots offered at \$500 each,  
except two, now offer ten lots fronting on the  
east side of Elm and Chestnut streets, and ex-  
tending to the river. Price from \$500 to \$1,000  
each, according to size and location. Terms,  
one-fourth cash, residue in equal installments at  
one, two and three years.  
JNO. P. McLEURE,  
At Top Mill.

HOLIDAY GOODS!  
We have just received a large assortment of  
BOOKS,  
SUITABLE FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON,  
Such as elegant Family Bibles, Prayer Books,  
Hymn Books, and elegantly bound Poems,  
and other choice selections.  
Beautiful Writing Desks,  
Together with an endless variety of  
JAPANESE GOODS.  
Most elaborately wrought and finished by that  
most wonderful nation, the Japanese for fine work.  
Also,  
GAMES OF ALL KINDS,  
Steam Engines, Parlor Croquet, Parchees, &c., &c.  
PAULL & ORR,  
100 MARKET STREET.

At Sheib's Music Store  
UNDER WASHINGTON HALL,  
YOU CAN RENT ANY  
PIANO, ORGAN  
—OR—  
MELODEON,  
In such a way that the  
Rent will Pay for It.  
Full information given on application.  
Address, SHEIB'S MUSIC STORE,  
Wheeling.

Old Pianos, Organs, &c., taken in part pay for  
new ones.  
Second-hand instruments for sale and to let  
at low rates.  
Pianos, Organs, &c., Tuned, Repaired, Re-  
polished, stored.  
Pianos carefully moved, packed, &c.  
Call on  
N. O. MOLASSES,  
500 barrels of N. O. Molasses. Just  
received and for sale by  
J. H. OGLEBAY, SON & CO.

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A Merry Christmas.  
The flight of old Father Time brings us  
all around from that joyous season  
when good cheer inspires grateful hearts  
and kindly deeds. That all the readers of  
THE INTELLIGENCER may sit down to-  
day to bounteous tables, gratefully remem-  
bering whence all these Christmas bless-  
ings flow, and that they may be moved to  
remember, in works of love and charity  
those less favored by fortune than them-  
selves, is the heartfelt wish wherewith we  
give them all our morning greeting:  
A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Keeping the Children Out in the Cold  
—A Denial from the School Principals.  
To the Local Editor of the Intelligencer and  
to others whom it may concern:  
It is due to the Board of Education and to  
the Superintendent of schools, as well as  
to the teachers and principals, to say that  
no order has ever been issued, so far as  
we know, under which it would be re-  
quired that pupils who chance to reach the  
schools before the regular hour of opening  
shall be excluded from the school build-  
ings in disagreeable or bad weather; and  
that this rule is observed; and in unpleas-  
ant weather it is a practice with us to ad-  
mit pupils who are at school before the  
regular time of opening, provided the time  
does not exceed fifteen minutes. It is  
sometimes the case that parents suffer  
their children to go to school half an hour  
or an hour before the regular time. In  
such case it cannot reasonably be expected  
that teachers will be present to receive  
them.

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Principal Eighth Ward.

WHEELING, Dec. 23, 1871.  
Permit us to inquire why the Card  
which was placed in your hands on  
Thursday, 21st, and which was signed by  
all the Principals of the public schools in  
this city, has, up to this time, failed to ap-  
pear in your paper. Said Card contained  
no disrespectful allusions, and in view of  
certain statements which had been made  
in your columns regarding an alleged  
practice in the schools under our charge,  
we respectfully ask its insertion, with this  
in the INTELLIGENCER of Monday.

You to-day again allude to what you  
are disposed to term "the regulation," im-  
plying that a rule or order such as that  
which you so emphatically condemn, has  
really had existence. If so, the fact has  
never been made known to us, and we  
most positively deny that a practice such  
as that named in your charge, has pre-  
vailed in the schools under our control.

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Principal Second and Seventh Wards.  
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The first of the foregoing communica-  
tions was received at a very late hour  
Thursday night, too late to make place for  
it Friday morning. It was laid in the  
drawer and was not thought of again till  
the second was received Saturday.

Despite the unqualified denial made, we  
must say our information to the contrary  
is abundant and positive, and we are sur-  
prised that these gentlemen should put  
their names to a statement that is con-  
tradicted by the knowledge of so many peo-  
ple. These gentlemen were all, or nearly  
all, present Thursday evening at the meet-  
ing of the Board of Education, and heard  
several members, nearly all who spoke  
on the subject, say that complaints like  
that made in the INTELLIGENCER had been  
made to them. Several persons have  
also assured us of the correctness of our  
statements. A gentleman said to us  
Saturday, that his little girl had gone to  
school a few mornings before, and being  
unable to get in, after waiting awhile, had  
come back home so cold that the parents  
thought she would go into spasms. Now  
who are to be believed? Certainly we see  
no reason to discredit our informants. Be-  
sides, in the case of one school we know  
what we said was true. We had the evi-  
dence of our own eyes in repeated in-  
stances.

Within five months the Rev. Mr.  
Brook buried his wife, engaged himself to  
three women, married one of them, was  
sued for breach of promise by the one who  
sued him for the breach of promise, was  
tried by an ecclesiastical council and sus-  
pended from conference, then went and  
joined the Campbellite Church, and he and  
his third wife were both baptized. It is  
almost unnecessary to add that this hap-  
pened in Indiana.

Mrs. CARLA BURLEIGH, in her suffrage  
speech, recently delivered in Philadel-  
phia, said: "What is demanded now for  
woman is symmetrical development; hitherto only her affectional nature has  
been developed—her intellect kept in the  
background, and she is self-protected. Let us  
go to the world the full-statured woman-  
hood demanded by the age."

MARRIAGE for money in the expec-  
tation of soon becoming a rich widow or a  
widower is a very uncertain speculation.  
A California correspondent gives an ac-  
count of a gentleman formerly in the  
Spanish army, who long ago married a  
widow lady fifty-seven years of age, who  
was possessed of great riches, with a con-  
sumptive tendency and no income. She  
was much older than the bridegroom,  
but her prospects for an extended lease of  
life were very poor, and the mercenary  
husband congratulated himself on the  
probability of speedily coming into full  
and undivided possession of her fortune.  
What a risk for the uncertainty of human  
life! that indomitable woman, with a  
consumptive tendency, in defiance of all  
laws of probability, continued to live on  
until fifty-seven more years had expired,  
and only recently departed, at the ripe  
age of 114.

AN Au Sahle (N. Y.) woman, who is  
young, beautiful and accomplished, writes  
as follows: "When our colony reached  
here there were few carpenters or me-  
chanics of any sort to be had. Seeing  
they were fully employed, rather than  
wait for the first of the month, I re-  
solved to make a table for my husband  
at my father's work-bench, when a girl  
lashed five rooms entirely, and set the  
studling for three. I made the doors and  
window-casings, planing and joining all  
myself, and hung the doors, besides set-  
ting the glass in the window-frames.  
Made the pantry shelves, a table for the  
kitchen, and cupboard, besides painting  
all the wood-work. Did my own house-  
work, cut and made all my boy's clothes,  
and made garden, besides caring for a  
sick daughter.

It would not answer to introduce the  
Koran in this country, it gives the woman  
such an easy way of divorce. Under the  
Mohammedan law an aggrieved woman has  
only to place her slipper upside down  
before the cadi, a divorce is granted with-  
out further inquiry, as it is taken for grant-  
ed. The cadi would not seek such redress  
without the most pressing cause. In  
America, alas! what an array of reversed  
slippers would greet our learned "cadi's"  
every court day.

MARION V. CHURCHILL very sensibly  
says: "I would rather see a police-woman  
in uniform, than see the king of  
England, or one of her sons in the king  
of the Greeks and now the son-in-law of a  
czar."

DECIDEDLY the cleverest matron in all  
Europe is the wife of the present King  
of Denmark. Just consider the fine matches  
she has managed to obtain for her chil-  
dren. One daughter is the future empress  
of Russia, the other the queen of  
England, one of her sons is the king of  
the Greeks and now the son-in-law of a  
czar.

The following advertisement appears  
in the Port Jervis Gazette:  
"John Strader wants four shirts made.  
Is willing to pay a reasonable price. Mrs.  
Strader has two in the family besides her  
self, and says she has got no time to make  
them. Address John Strader, Port Jer-  
vis. November 21, 1871."

The Pennsylvania branch of the Wo-  
man's Suffrage Association reports that  
the receipts of the cause last year amount-  
ed to \$7110; that petitions and tracts had  
been circulated, a few meetings held,  
and some rather discouraging efforts made  
to gain the ballot. The exhibition indic-  
ates apathy.

It shows a great lack of consideration  
and good sense for a lady to keep a caller  
waiting while she waits to array herself  
in some gorgeous toilet. It would be  
much better to receive them in any dress,  
neat and plain, provided it only be neat  
and becoming.

Tremendous Gas Explosion in New  
York.  
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—About 6 o'clock  
last evening, the purifying house attached  
to the Metropolitan Gas Company's works  
in Forty-second street, between Eleventh  
and Twelfth avenues, exploded with a  
tremendous concussion. The building  
was demolished and the ruins immedi-  
ately fell in, and the explosion was heard  
in every part of the city.

The flames, however, were extinguished  
before they had communicated to any  
other part of the works. The cause of  
the explosion was gas escaping in the pur-  
ifying department and lighting. The con-  
cussion was terrible. Windows were  
smashed in scores in the houses near the  
works. The noise of the explosion was  
like that supposed to be made  
by an earthquake. No one was injured  
except Pat McGrath, the fireman, and he  
seriously. A frightful calamity was  
avoided by the presence of mind of one  
of the employees of the company,  
who shutting the gas leading to the  
main pipe, thus cut off the gas from the  
house. But for this precaution there  
might have been gas explosions all over  
the district. The escape of the workmen  
employed in this branch of the works was  
due to a very fortunate circumstance. A  
few days ago an alarm was made in the  
road, five miles east of Memphis, and were  
ordered away by a man named Reynolds,  
in charge of the building, who threatened  
to shoot them if they approached. Not  
heeding the warning, they started for the  
building, when he shot both through the  
head, killing them instantly, and then  
fled.

The steamer Roseville, sunk in the Ar-  
kansas on Wednesday, will prove a total  
loss.

UTAH.  
SALT LAKE, December 23.—The Robin-  
son murder examination closed this after-  
noon. Hampton, Toms, and Blithe were  
committed to await the action of the  
Grand Jury. The others were discharged.  
It is reported that the morning after  
the trial, there is ten feet of snow on the level  
in the Little Cottonwood mining district,  
and it is still snowing. Freighters over  
from the mines is wholly suspended. The  
sun has not been seen for a week.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT.  
Exclusively to the Intelligencer.

(By the Western Union Line,  
Office North-west cor. of Main and Monroe st.)  
NEW YORK CITY.

New York, December 24.—The new  
Court House Commissioners have infor-  
mally agreed upon a plan for the dome  
of the building, at a cost of \$175,000; but  
nothing can be done until the Legislature  
makes an appropriation.

The appropriation of funds made by the  
Legislature in 1870, for the Court House,  
additional subscriptions for the relief of the  
West amounting to \$45,000. The total  
receipts amount to \$164,883.

Some ten or a dozen charitable institu-  
tions will provide liberal entertainments for  
their inmates on Christmas day.

It was rumored that the Commissioner  
says it is unjust to call him a Ring Judge,  
as he has been battling with the Ring for  
years.

It is rumored, says the Tribune, that  
Sweeney's going to Canada was on ac-  
count of the Ring's complaints.

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of the city will be put to a vote.

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MEMPHIS REPORTS EXAGGERATED.  
ST. LOUIS, December 23.—The Democrat  
has a special from Little Rock, Ark.,  
which says: Reliable advices from Chicot  
County establish the fact that the reports  
of the fugitives at Memphis have been  
greatly exaggerated. The State authori-  
ties have taken all necessary steps for a  
complete restoration of law and order,  
which will be accomplished without the  
assistance of the Memphis Chamber of  
Commerce.

The Coming Legal Tender Opinion.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A full opinion  
of the United States Supreme Court on  
the legal tender cases will be delivered  
on the 15th of January. Those who will  
unite in the majority are Justices Davis,  
Strong, Miller, Bwayne and Bradley, and  
those in the minority, Chief Justice Chase  
and Associate Justices Clifford, Field and  
Nelson.

In addition to the majority and  
minority reports proper, it is expected  
that several of the judges will express  
their opinion on the different branches of  
the question.

Murder at Kane, Pa.  
KANE, Pa., December 23.—A corres-  
pondent of the Register writes to-  
day that the particulars of a horrible  
tragedy which occurred at Kane, Pa., 91  
miles east of here on the Philadelphia  
& Erie railroad on the night of the 20th  
inst. The wife and child of a man named  
Patrick Burns were found dead Thursday  
morning under a burn in their house.  
Physicians who have examined the bodies  
say there is no doubt that both were mur-  
dered, the wife having been strangled and  
the child's skull broken. Burns has been  
arrested and lodged in jail, pending the  
coroner's inquest.

The War on the Erie Ring.  
LONDON, December 22.—The Erie Pro-  
tection Committee here publishes the fol-  
lowing as received from New York: The  
new Attorney General, Mr. Barlow, pro-  
poses in his official capacity to break up  
the whole combination of the Erie Ring,  
without respect to persons. The publica-  
tion of this intelligence has been received  
with great joy by the parties interested.

MONTEAL, December 23.—A meeting  
of Canadian stockholders of the Erie Rail-  
road has been held here to form a combi-  
nation against the ring and its present  
management.

Royal Courtships.  
NEW YORK, December 23.—A Niagara  
Falls dispatch states that the Grand Duke  
received a telegram yesterday from Queen  
Victoria, announcing the convalescence  
and probable recovery of the Prince of  
Wales, to which he responded.

Small-Pox in Philadelphia.  
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—The Health  
Office reports, 228 deaths from small-pox  
for the week, which is a slight increase  
over last.

at all times to the tax-payers. The office  
of City Chamberlain is established  
all Commissioners appointed by the  
Mayor are removable by him at any time;  
the Commissioners appointed by the Board  
are removable only by the Board; the  
corporation Attorney to be a resident  
of the city ten years prior to his appoint-  
ment by the Mayor; provisions are made  
prohibiting the Mayor, Aldermen, any  
member of the departments, Commissioners  
or any clerks from being interested in any  
city contracts under forfeiture of  
office, and be punished as for misde-  
meanors; no city officer to hold a Federal,  
State or other city office. Quite a num-  
ber of sections are left to be arranged by  
the Legislature, as is also the legislating  
out of office of the present incumbents.  
Any officer, from Alderman down, may  
be called up for examination by any  
Judge in regard to his disposition of the  
public money.

The Receiver of the Union Square Bank  
reports its assets sufficient to pay all lia-  
bilities and leave \$42,000 for the share-  
holders.

The Sheriff has been notified by Tweed's  
attorney that the original or new bonds  
will be justly on Tuesday.

Carson, Chief of the Bureau of Elec-  
tions, will spend the holidays at his resi-  
dence Westchester county.

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of the fugitives at Memphis have been  
greatly exaggerated. The State authori-  
ties have taken all necessary steps for a  
complete restoration of law and order,  
which will be accomplished without the  
assistance of the Memphis Chamber of  
Commerce.

The Coming Legal Tender Opinion.  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A full opinion  
of the United States Supreme Court on  
the legal tender cases will be delivered  
on the 15th of January. Those who will  
unite in the majority are Justices Davis,  
Strong, Miller, Bwayne and Bradley, and  
those in the minority, Chief Justice Chase  
and Associate Justices Clifford, Field and  
Nelson.

In addition to the majority and  
minority reports proper, it is expected  
that several of the judges will express  
their opinion on the different branches of  
the question.

Murder at Kane, Pa.  
KANE, Pa., December 23.—A corres-  
pondent of the Register writes to-  
day that the particulars of a horrible  
tragedy which occurred at Kane, Pa., 91  
miles east of here on the Philadelphia  
& Erie railroad on the night of the 20th  
inst. The wife and child of a man named  
Patrick Burns were found dead Thursday  
morning under a burn in their house.  
Physicians who have examined the bodies  
say there is no doubt that both were mur-  
dered, the wife having been strangled and  
the child's skull broken. Burns has been  
arrested and lodged in jail, pending the  
coroner's inquest.

The War on the Erie Ring.  
LONDON, December 22.—The Erie Pro-  
tection Committee here publishes the fol-  
lowing as received from New York: The  
new Attorney General, Mr. Barlow, pro-  
poses in his official capacity to break up  
the whole combination of the Erie Ring,  
without respect to persons. The publica-  
tion of this intelligence has been received  
with great joy by the parties interested.

MONTEAL, December 23.—A meeting  
of Canadian stockholders of the Erie Rail-  
road has been held here to form a combi-  
nation against the ring and its present  
management.

Royal Courtships.  
NEW YORK, December 23.—A Niagara  
Falls dispatch states that the Grand Duke  
received a telegram yesterday from Queen  
Victoria, announcing the convalescence  
and probable recovery of the Prince of  
Wales, to which he responded.

Small-Pox in Philadelphia.  
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—The Health  
Office reports, 228 deaths from small-pox  
for the week, which is a slight increase  
over last.

The Gale of Saturday.  
SATURDAY'S STORM AT ST. LOUIS.  
ST. LOUIS, December 23.—A very strong  
wind storm passed over this city this fore-  
noon which did considerable damage,  
several walls of unfinished houses being  
blown down, roofs torn off, chimneys and  
fire walls demolished, fences leveled,  
smokestacks toppled over, &c. The  
steamer City of Alton was blown across  
the river, several steamers were torn from  
their moorings, and two or three lost their  
chimneys, but no serious damage was  
done. The gale lasted an hour, and came  
from the west.

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